

BARTON COUNTY DEMOCRAT.

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Announcements. FOR CLERK.

We are authorized to announce D. R. Jones as a candidate for the office of county clerk of Barton county, subject to the action of the democratic party.

We are authorized to announce as a candidate for Clerk of Barton county, subject to the action of the Democratic county convention, L. K. Benefield, of Pawnee Rock.

FOR SHERIFF.

The many friends of N. R. Holmes have requested him to announce himself as a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Barton county, and we hereby announce his name, subject to the action of the Democratic county convention.

We are authorized to announce Frank D. Wilson, of Great Bend, as a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Barton county, subject to the action of the Democratic county convention.

FOR TREASURER.

We are authorized to announce H. Uden, of Cheyenne township, as a candidate for the office of Treasurer of Barton county, subject to the action of the Democratic county convention.

By request of many of my friends in Barton county, I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of County Treasurer, subject to the action of the Democratic county convention.
L. M. KRAUSE.

The Democrats of Albion township are hereby notified that there will be a primary held at Eberly's store, in said township, September 21st, at 7 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of selecting delegates and alternates to attend the county convention September 24th. Every Democratic voter in the county is earnestly requested to be present.

HENRY BOYLE,
Committeeman.

DEMOCRATIC DELEGATES.

Below we give the number of delegates each township is entitled to. It is recommended by the central committee that the township primaries be held on the 21st inst. Each township should also select alternates as well as delegates. Should any township deem it best to hold its primary on any other day than the 21st, we will gladly call the meeting if we are furnished with the date.

Township.	Del.	Township.	Del.
Albion	4	Homestead	3
Buffalo	4	Independence	5
Beaver	3	Logan	6
Cleveland	3	Lakin	12
Clarence	5	Liberty	2
Comanche	5	Washburn	1
Cheyenne	7	Pawnee Rock	4
Eureka	2	South Bend	2
Fairview	2	Union	3
Grant	4	Walmart	4
Great Bend	3	Wheatland	2
Pleasant Ridge Precinct	1		
	1st ward	3	
	2nd ward	3	
	3rd ward	5	
	4th ward	2	

The Democrats throughout the county should begin to survey the political field and decide who shall make the most acceptable candidates. That our opponents will make a most desperate effort to carry the ensuing election goes without saying. It is therefore our duty to make up a strong and unobjectionable ticket. While the DEMOCRAT has no personal favorites for any of the offices, nevertheless we should like to impress upon the minds of our political brethren the necessity of making a fair and equitable distribution of the offices, neglecting no part of the county. The wisdom of this policy was fully exemplified in the election of last year and we hope the lesson will not be forgotten.

The political campaign will soon open and the contest promises to be close and interesting. The DEMOCRAT expects to be found in the thickest of the fight, dealing manful blows for the faith of the unterrified. We would like to have the hearty support of the party throughout the county. Now is the time to send in your subscription. Show your neighbors a copy of the paper and induce them to take it.

AMONG the announcements to be found in the columns of the DEMOCRAT this week is that of H. Uden, of Cheyenne township. Mr. Uden comes before the people as a candidate for treasurer of the county, and as he is one of our old settlers, a man of sterling integrity, and in every way fitted for the office, his name should receive the attention of the democratic convention when the candidates are selected for our ticket.

THERE are not less than twenty-five Republicans out for the various offices and all the returns are not yet in. It is more than probable when all the back townships are heard from the numbers will reach fifty.

THERE are fourteen candidates for Register of Deeds in Kingman county, on the Republican ticket, and several more precincts to hear from.

The British agricultural outlook is bad this year.

CLINTON, Mo., has an artesian well that flows 565,000 gallons of water in twenty-four hours.

HUTCHINSON is to have the free mail delivery system Oct. 1st. Great Bend will be next.

It is reported that track laying will soon commence on the Midland railroad in Rice county.

The next meeting of the National Cattle Growers' Association will be held in Kansas City in November.

The German Catholics in convention assembled in Chicago, adopted a resolution denouncing the Knights of Labor.

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND has decided on the date of his visit to St. Louis. He will be there on the 1st of October and remain three days.

A COAL train on the Missouri Pacific was thrown from the track near Lawrence Sunday resulting in the killing of the engineer, fireman and head brakeman.

THE two street railway companies at Topeka had another row Saturday over the laying of their respective lines. These roads seem to think they own the Capital City.

THE telegraph operators along the line of the A. T. & S. F. railroad are all joining the National Association of Telegraphers. The object of which is for mutual protection.

THE New York Central railroad is the first to abolish the stove nuisance in its cars. Now let others follow and we shall hear less of people being roasted alive during railroad wrecks.

A BOLT of lightning in Wisconsin killed a bull which was chasing a farmer, and another in Kentucky killed a would-be-assassin who was hiding to kill a preacher. Funny country this.

A MAN in Illinois has raised 27 children. And he figures that the soothing syrup, teething rings, safety pins and nursing bottles have cost him a good farm. Children come high, but we must have them.

THE wife of Charles Collins of Kansas eloped in 1885. One day last week, as he left Cleveland on a train he sat down beside her in a coach and they rode ninety miles in the same seat without speaking.

THE Royal theatre of Exeter, England, was burned Monday night, causing the loss of the lives of 130 persons. Great excitement prevailed and a number of the killed were tramped to death in their efforts to escape.

NOTWITHSTANDING the proclamation of the Irish National Land League by the British government, a meeting was held at Ennis, Sunday attended by ten thousand people. Twelve bands furnished music. Speeches were made by a number of the members of the House of Parliament.

PRairie chickens are ripe from the first of this month to January first, and may be picked with impunity and a shotgun, providing the impunity carries the signature of the farmer on whose land the hunting is done and the shotgun is pointed at the game and not towards the shooter.

THE fifth annual state fair will be held at Topeka, September 19th to 24th. Extensive preparations have already been made and it will, without doubt, be one of the most successful exhibitions of the kind ever witnessed in Kansas. Although the crops of the state are not up to the usual standard, still the agricultural display at this fair and at others to be held elsewhere in the state will go far towards convincing the outside world that Kansas farmers can produce enough for home consumption in the most disastrous crop years.

EXCURSIONS.

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ST. LOUIS EXPOSITION.

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Round trip tickets on sale September 17th to 24th, inclusive. Rates, \$6.95.

A. C. U. W.

at St. Paul, Minn., September 13th, round trip tickets on sale September 9th to 11th, inclusive. Rates, \$22.00.

KANSAS CITY EXPOSITION.

Round trip tickets on sale September 14th, 15th, 19th, 22nd, 26th, 29th, October 3rd, 6th, 10th, 13th, 17th, 20th, 24th, 27th and 31st. Rates, \$10.60.

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GERMAN CATHOLICS.

Business of Convention in Chicago
—Spanhorst's Statement of Its Objects.

A Resolution Denunciatory of Knights of Labor and Prohibitionists Applauded.

Delegate Meitsch Makes a Bitter Attack on the Irish—A Question of Principle.

CHICAGO, Sept. 6.—The first business session of the German Roman Catholic Central Union of America was opened yesterday morning in St. Michael's Hall with prayer by Rev. Dr. William Tappert, of Covington, Ky., the leading spirit in the gathering. There were about 300 delegates present, and all the available room on the main floor and in the gallery was occupied by auditors. President Spanhorst made an address of greeting to the delegates, in which he claimed that the attitude of the German Catholics toward other nationalities had been misrepresented and false reports circulated. In his opinion the German Catholics recognized no distinction of nationalities. No national questions had ever come up in their meetings. On the questions at issue between the Irish and the German Catholics the Church alone had authority to decide. He asked the delegates to use no hard expressions against other nationalities. The Germans in America were obliged to preserve the German language in their schools. On account of that they had been reproached with trying to Germanize America. That charge was unjust, as the Germans were true followers of the Church and understood its teachings. He denied the truth of the report that he had ever said that they would insist upon the German language in spite of the Bishops. He concluded by congratulating the German Catholics upon the growth of their societies and advised that each benevolent society have a fund to be used for the relief of working men in distress. After the appointment of committees George Meitsch, of St. Paul, introduced a resolution of which the following is a translation:

WHEREAS, the so-called Knights of Labor come from day to day with their talk for the purpose of helping the workmen to their rights by unrighteous means and trampling law and order under foot, and try to destroy Scriptural faith, therefore be it hereby

Resolved, That we urge all Catholic working people to keep away from said societies, for according to our experience such company is not advisable for Catholic working people; for where Prohibitionists, Anarchists and Socialists assemble to consult about the welfare of mankind, there should not be found any German Catholic workingmen. In order to protect the good name of German Catholic societies from injury, all societies should be exhorted not to receive into their midst any Knights of Labor and such as are already in them should be induced to leave the said order of the Knights of Labor.

Meitsch spoke in support of this resolution. He claimed that the Knights of Labor had a demoralizing influence upon the German workingmen. He failed to see any difference between the Knights of Labor and other Socialist and Prohibitionist societies. He was sorry to see that many Germans were at present members of an order, the leaders of which had addressed a petition to Congress against German immigration, while Mr. Powderly had openly shown himself to be a Prohibitionist and enemy of the Germans. The entire order of the Knights of Labor was governed by Irishmen. The Germans ought to consider it a disgrace to be ruled by Irish ignoramus. The remarks were received with applause.

Frederick Arends, of St. Louis, moved to lay the resolution on the table, but was voted down, all but two or three dissenting against him, and the resolution was referred to the Committee on Labor Matters.

Dr. Tappert submitted a resolution requiring the societies in every city to meet every six months for the purpose of discussing social questions and other matters of importance. It was referred. Before recess thirty-two new societies were admitted to the union.

At the opening of the afternoon session a dispatch was read in reply to one sent last week to the Catholic convention of Germany, now in session at Trier, signed by the chairman of the convention, and reminded the German American Catholics that although the ocean intervened their brethren in Germany were bound to them by one common faith and comradeship in the battle of the Lord. Three hearty cheers were given for the Catholics of Germany.

An interesting "question of principle" was raised when a report from a society of New Orleans was read which was written in the English language. Objection was made to it on that account, and Dr. Tappert again came forward and moved that the secretary be instructed to find out whether or not the German language was employed as the official medium by that society, and if not that the secretary notify the society that the Central Union receive no societies but such as did employ the German language exclusively. All this was to be done in a spirit and tone of brotherly love, but it should be insisted on, the reverend gentleman said, as it was a question of principle, and not an inch should be yielded. He wanted to have the matter settled at once, but it was referred to the committee on constitution.

As a fitting conclusion to the day's proceedings a cablegram was read sent to Pope Leo congratulating him upon his approaching jubilee and asking his blessing.

Colorow Crook.

OMAHA, Neb., Sept. 6.—Colorow Crook returned yesterday afternoon from the scene of the Ute trouble. Last night he said: "Colorow is on the reservation, and is quiet enough now. For the present at least all trouble is over. There will be no more trouble this season, if there is after that. The only difference now is in regard to the restitution to the Indians of the horses and cattle stolen by Colorow and other white men. The alleged Indian horse-thieves have not been surrendered, and I do not suppose they will be. I do not see why they should be any more than two white men. The State troops have been ordered back. The order for the United States troops to be ready to move is still in effect, but it is practically a dead letter, as there is no need for their services."

End of the Gogebic Strike.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Sept. 6.—The strike at the Burton iron mine on the Gogebic range is over, the men at the Iron King being paid to-day and money being ready to pay the men at the other mines to-morrow. The mining companies are ready to pay all their indebtedness, and attribute the strike to drunken ringleaders who will be discharged. These mines will not be turned over to the Bessemer Consolidation Company for some days.

HERE AND THERE—MOSTLY THERE.

Natural gas has been discovered in Rawlins county.

Newspapers and railroads have done more for Kansas than all other agencies combined.

Little River, Kansas, is boring for coal. The work is being done with a core drill, the only one in operation in the state.

A tornado visited Republican City recently. A good many houses were blown down or injured. Total loss, \$25,000.

The Kansas equal suffrage association will hold their annual state convention in Newton, October 13th, 14th and 15th. It is announced that Susan B. Anthony and other prominent woman suffragists will attend.

Kansas has two insane asylums, one at Topeka and the other at Ossawatimie, a soldiers' home, located at Atchison, reform school for boys located at Topeka, an asylum for feeble-minded youth at Winfield, a blind asylum at Wyandotte and a deaf and dumb asylum at Olathe.

There is a question being raised among our exchanges bearing upon the cost of raising an acre of corn. A Missouri creek correspondent of the Pawnee Republican claims that corn can be raised for \$7 per acre with good profit to the farmer, while A. J. Streeter of the St. Joe Leader claims that it can not be raised for less than \$10.50, per acre.

The Wichita Journal man attempted to write poetry just like Walt Mason the other day. He wrote "I kissed her under the silent stars," and the compositor set it up: "I kicked her under the cellar stairs." The Journal man thinks it is time to draw a line on his poetry, and it has accordingly been drawn.

Boys, when you speak of your father, don't call him "old man." Of course you are older now than when you learned to call him "father." Your clothes fit you better; your hat is a model shape, and your hair is combed differently. In short you are "flyer" than you were then. Your father has a last year's coat and a two year old hat, and a vest of still older pattern. He can't write such elegant notes as you can, and all that, but don't call him "old man." Call him father. For years he has been rustling around to get things together; he has made mighty little progress some years; he has been held to the thorny hills of up-hill industry, and half has gone out of him forever.

We are informed upon reliable authority that natural gas has been discovered upon the Esche place southwest of Dexter last Thursday. The well was drilled to a depth of 60 feet some years ago but the water has never been good owing to the fact that the water kept constantly bubbling and gurgling together with the peculiar taste of the water led one of the neighbors, Mr. Condit, to lower a candle into the well when the gas burst into a flame and it is believed to exist in sufficient quantity to furnish both light and fuel for the entire neighborhood, if properly utilized. There are a number of wells in Dexter in which the water is unfit for use on account of the gas contained in it and several parties are making arrangements to prospect for gas in that city. Should they fail to strike it rich within the limits of that city they can utilize the the Esche well and still keep up with the procession.

Special Rates.

The Missouri Pacific railway will sell round trip tickets to the Bismarck Fair, at Lawrence, on October 5th to 10th for \$7.45, including tickets of admission to the fair.

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